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## **New Mexico MainStreet is Reaccredited, Program Partners Accredited by the National Main Street Center**

**Santa Fe, N.M.** – Today, the New Mexico Economic Development Department announced that New Mexico MainStreet (NMMS) has been reaccredited and licensed through the National Main Street Center.

Additionally, the National Main Street Center and its partners have accredited local programs in recognition of their exemplary commitment to preservation-based economic development and community revitalization through The MainStreet Four Point Approach™. Yearly accreditation allows New Mexico Main Street to continue helping local communities, and allows programs to continue downtown revitalization work.

“The partnership between New Mexico MainStreet, local MainStreet revitalization organizations and their government partner helps New Mexico’s downtowns transform into economically vibrant communities,” said Economic Development Deputy Cabinet Secretary Jon Clark. “I congratulate New Mexico Main Street on its reaccreditation and the local programs on their accreditation. This helps us leverage our services and resources with our statewide partners to support a thriving economic climate in our MainStreet Districts.”

New Mexico Main Street works with communities to offer technical assistance, build capacity, and support projects in downtown & commercial districts. Since 2003, New Mexico Main Street communities have reported: **2,285** new businesses, **379** business expansions, **8,399** new jobs, **2,638** private building rehabilitations, and **\$296,734,431** private sector reinvestment.

The following 25 local programs have been designated as Main Street America 2019 accredited programs: Alamogordo MainStreet, Downtown ABQ MainStreet, Artesia MainStreet, Barelmas MainStreet, Belen MainStreet, Carlsbad MainStreet, Clovis MainStreet, Corrales MainStreet, Deming MainStreet, Downtown Farmington MainStreet, Gallup MainStreet Arts & Cultural District, Harding County MainStreet, Downtown Las Cruces Partnership, MainStreet de Las Vegas, Los Alamos MainStreet, Lovington MainStreet, Nob Hill MainStreet, Portales MainStreet, Raton MainStreet, MainStreet Roswell, Silver City MainStreet, South Valley MainStreet, MainStreet Truth or Consequences, Tucumcari MainStreet, and Zuni Pueblo MainStreet.

“We congratulate our local programs for their hard work in receiving National Accreditation. We are thrilled to move forward and continue our nationally recognized work to transform our downtown districts,” said NMMS Director Daniel Gutierrez.

New Mexico Main Street evaluates local program organizational performance on an annual basis with the National Main Street Center to confirm they meet 10 national performance standards. Evaluation criteria determines that the communities are building comprehensive and sustainable revitalization efforts and

include standards such as fostering strong public-private partnerships, documenting programmatic progress, and actively preserving historic buildings.

**About New Mexico MainStreet:**

A program of the New Mexico Economic Development Department, New Mexico MainStreet works throughout the state to help affiliated local organizations create an economically viable business environment while preserving cultural and historic resources. New Mexico MainStreet currently serves 30 affiliated MainStreet Districts, 11 state-authorized Arts & Cultural Districts, 4 Frontier and Native American Community projects, and 8 Historic Theater Initiatives. For more information about New Mexico MainStreet, visit [www.gonm.biz](http://www.gonm.biz) or [www.nmmainstreet.org](http://www.nmmainstreet.org).

**About Main Street America:**

[Main Street America](#) has been helping revitalize older and historic commercial districts for more than 35 years. Today, it is a network of more than 1,600 neighborhoods and communities, rural and urban, who share both a commitment to place and to building stronger communities through preservation-based economic development. Since 1980, communities participating in the program have leveraged more than \$79.12 billion in new public and private investment, generated 640,017 net new jobs and 143,613 net new businesses, and rehabilitated more than 284,936 buildings. Main Street America is a program of the nonprofit National Main Street Center, a subsidiary of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

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